5. Air Marshal J. K. Seth (Retd.) Member
6. Shri B. G. Deshmukh, Former Member Cabinet Secretary.
7. Shri K. Satyanarayana Raju, Member Former Minister of Andhra Pradesh.
8. Shri D. D. Thakur, Former Member M.L.A., Himachal Pradesh.

Telephone Directories of Delhi and Bombay

3731. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2537 given in the Rajya Sabha on 17th August, 1993 and state by when the telephone directories of both Bombay and Delhi will be made available by MTNL to customers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : The next main issues of Delhi and Bombay Telephone Directories are expected to be published in July, 1994.

Telephone Density

3732. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of telephone connections per thousand people in India as against the world average;

(b) whether any new policy and plan of action is being or has been laid down to bring India to the world level; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) As on 1-4-94 the number of telephone connections per 1000 population in India is 9 against the World average of around 100.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. Under the present plan for the country, the department proposes to reach twenty per thousand by the year 2000.

Telephone Connections in NOIDA

3733. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) total number of telephone connections in existence in NOIDA Uttar Pradesh during 1988, 1989 and 1990, year-wise;

(b) telephone connections located in Sector-14 in NOIDA, year-wise during 1988, 1989 and 1990 with details of each connection, including its particular location ;

(c) whether further extension scheme for NOIDA is contemplated during the current year ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Total number of telephone connections in existence on 1st April :

1988 — 4860
1989 — 6769
1990 — 7155

(b) Total number of connections located in Sector-14 in NOIDA on 1st April :

1988 — 216
1989 — 262
1990 — 297

Details of the locations of each connection will be placed on the Table of the House later.

(c) Yes; Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.
recently.

Telephones sanctioned from MPs' Quota

3734. SYED SIBTEY RAZI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether some priority sanction orders relating to MPs' quota for release of telephone connection on out of turn basis have been received in Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) office in January and February, 1994 from different Chief General Managers of Telecommunications ;